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**BEVERLEY RURAL DISTRICT
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FOR 1966**

*To the Chairman and Members of the
Beverley Rural District Council.*

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on the state of the Public Health for 1966.

Vital Statistics

The principal causes of death were heart disease, various forms of cancer and vascular lesions of the nervous system. Of the heart conditions coronary disease and angina were the most frequent causes of death. The corrected death rate for the Rural District was 9.93 per 1,000 residents compared with 9.27 in 1965 and with 11.7 for England and Wales as a whole.

Five children died within the first year of life giving an infant mortality rate of 10.87 per 1,000 live births compared with 10.89 in the previous year, and a rate of 19.0 for England and Wales.

Infectious Diseases

There were no serious outbreaks of infectious disease in the district during the year, the only outbreak of note being due to measles which accounted for 91 of the 130 cases notified. In addition there were a number of sporadic cases of Sonne Dysentery.

Three new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis were notified. All contacts of these cases were traced and encouraged to attend the Chest Clinic for a medical examination and X-ray.

The annual visit of the mobile X-ray unit to the district was arranged early in the summer, and sessions were held at Elloughton, Everthorpe, North Ferriby and Melton.

Water Supply

Water is supplied to the District from three sources, namely the East Yorkshire Wold Water Board, Hull Corporation and Hotham Family Trust. Details of the distribution are given in the Report.

Regular bacteriological and chemical examinations of water from both public and private bores have been carried out, and details of these samples are given in the Report.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Work has continued on the construction of a new sewage and sewerage disposal system for the villages of Lund and Lockington where certain difficulties have been encountered due to the relatively high level of the water table in the area. The villages of Leconfield, Brantingham, Ellerker and part of Swanland are now the only large centres of population in the district which do not have a modern type of sewage disposal system. Schemes for these have been included in the Council's future programme.

Factories Act, 1961

The detailed particulars under Part I, and Part VIII of the Factories Act which are administered by the Council are set out on page 12 and 13 of the report.

As this is my last report as Medical Officer of Health to the Council I should like to express my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Executive Committee for their courtesy and help during my term of office.

I should also like to express my appreciation for the co-operation and help which I have always received from the Clerk and the other Chief Officers. In this respect I would specially mention the Chief Public Health Inspector who has been a most conscientious and efficient colleague.

I am, Your obedient servant,

W. FERGUSON,

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICAL MEMORANDA

Population (estimated mid-1966).....	28,330
Number of inhabited houses	9,329
Rateable Value	£954,789
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£3,846
Total Live Births	460
Birth Rate	15.75
Total Deaths	293
Death-rate	9.93
Deaths of infants under one year of age	5
Infant Mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10.87
Number of Illegitimate Births	16
Number of Still Births	7

VITAL STATISTICS

Population. The Registrar General's estimate of the population at mid-1966 was 28,330 an increase of 880 over the previous year.

Births. The Total number of Births during the year was 460, which is one more than in 1965. The birth rate fell by 0.47 to 15.75 There were 16 illegitimate births, an increase of 3.

Still Births. There were 7 still births, an increase of 2, and the stillbirth rate was 14.99 per 1,000 total births compared with 10.78 in 1965.

Deaths. Two hundred and ninety three residents died, giving a death rate of 9.93 per 1,000 residents per annum, 0.66 higher than in 1965.

Infant Mortality. Five children died before the age of one year and the infant mortality rate was 10.87 per 1,000 live births. In 1965, deaths of 5 infants gave a rate of 10.89.

Tuberculosis deaths. There were no deaths during 1966 due to Tuberculosis.

Rates per 1,000 Civilian Population

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
LIVE BIRTHS		
1966	17.7 *	15.71
1965	18.0	16.22
1964	18.4	17.39
1963	18.2	18.02
1962	18.0	19.20
DEATHS		
1966	11.7 *	9.93
1965	11.5	9.27
1964	11.3	8.70
1963	12.2	10.03
1962	11.9	9.75

NOTE: The Rates for the last five years are per 1,000 Home Population, which includes service personnel.

*Provisional rate supplied by the Registrar General.

Deaths under One year of Age
Rates per 1,000 Live Births

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
1966	19.0	10.91
1965	19.0	10.89
1964	20.0	14.89
1963	20.9	12.85
1962	21.4	13.92

Rates per 1,000 Total Births
Still Births

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Rural District
1966	15.4*	15.21
1965	15.7	10.78
1964	16.3	14.68
1963	17.3	10.59
1962	18.1	13.92

*Provisional figure supplied by the Registrar General

Principal Causes of Death

CAUSES OF DEATH			Male	Female	Total
1. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
2. Other forms of Tuberculosis .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
3. Syphilitic disease .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
4. Diphtheria .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
5. Whooping Cough .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
6. Meningococcal infections .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
7. Acute poliomyelitis .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
8. Measles .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
10. Malignant neoplasm of stomach .. ..	..	..	4	2	6
11. Malignant neoplasm of lungs and bronchus .. ..	..	..	9	—	9
12. Malignant neoplasm of breast .. ..	..	..	—	4	4
13. Malignant neoplasm of uterus .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms .. ..	..	..	15	5	20
15. Leukaemia and aleukaemia .. ..	..	..	2	—	2
16. Diabetes .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system .. ..	..	..	16	29	45
18. Coronary disease and angina .. ..	..	..	44	19	63
19. Hypertension with heart disease .. ..	..	..	—	2	2
20. Other heart diseases .. ..	..	..	13	42	55
21. Other circulatory diseases .. ..	..	..	4	13	17
22. Influenza .. ..	..	..	2	3	5
23. Pneumonia .. ..	..	..	4	4	8
24. Bronchitis .. ..	..	..	9	6	15
25. Other diseases of the respiratory system .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
26. Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum .. ..	..	..	—	2	2
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
28. Nephritis and nephrosis .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
29. Hyperplasia of prostate .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
30. Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion .. ..	..	..	—	—	—
31. Congenital malformation .. ..	..	..	3	1	4
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases .. ..	..	..	9	11	20
33. Motor vehicle accidents .. ..	..	..	4	—	4
34. Other accidents .. ..	..	..	5	1	6
35. Suicides .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
36. Homicide and operations of war .. ..	..	..	1	—	1
Total, all causes			149	144	293

Age Distribution of Deaths

Age at Death	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Under 1 year ..	6	6	7	5	5
1—5 years ..	—	3	1	—	—
6—15 years ..	3	4	2	1	3
16—25 years ..	4	5	3	3	3
26—45 years ..	13	12	6	8	7
46—65 years ..	41	42	44	47	52
66 years and over ..	184	202	185	193	223
Totals ..	251	274	248	257	293

Table showing Age Distribution of Infantile Deaths

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total under 1 year
Accident	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Congenital malformations	2	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	3
Other ill-defined diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infectious diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	2	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	1	5

Immunisations

The number of children immunised during the year was as follows:

	Primary Injections		Boosting doses All ages
	Under 5	5-14 years	
(a) against diphtheria only ..	—	5	120
(b) against diphtheria and whooping cough	—	—	—
(c) against whooping cough only ..	—	—	—
(d) against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus	335	4	281
(e) against tetanus only	—	99	30
(f) against diphtheria and tetanus	5	34	437

Vaccination against Smallpox

Age at date of Vaccination	Under 1	1 year	2—4	5—14	15 or over	Total
Number vaccinated	63	149	62	17	—	291
Number re-vaccinated ..	—	—	6	51	—	57

Distribution of Infectious Diseases by Age Groups

Disease	Under 1 year	1—2 years	3—4 years	5—9 years	10—14 years	15—24 years	25—44 years	45—64 years	65 years and over	Age unknown	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever ..	—	—	1	10	3	—	—	—	—	1	15
Whooping Cough ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paralytic ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-Paralytic ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles ..	2	19	29	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	91
Acute Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Dysentery ..	—	2	3	6	7	—	3	—	—	—	21
Erysipelas ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteric or Typhoid ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	2	21	33	57	10	1	3	1	1	1	130

The Incidence of Infectious Diseases during the Past Five Years

Disease	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Scarlet Fever	9	14	8	14	15
Whooping Cough	—	19	15	20	—
Poliomyelitis and Polio-Encephalitis	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	120	566	235	689	91
Acute Pneumonia	3	3	2	3	3
Dysentery	25	1	1	—	21
Erysipelas	1	—	—	1	—
Food Poisoning	9	4	—	3	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	9	2	6	—	—
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	—	2	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever	—	—	1	—	—
Totals	176	611	268	730	130

Tuberculosis

Three new cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified during the year. Two were men aged 24 and 87 and one woman aged 15 years.

Two women aged 45 and 66 were found to be suffering from non-pulmonary tuberculosis.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Laboratory Facilities. Specimens for pathological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory in Hull. This Laboratory also carries out bacteriological and biological examinations of milk, water and ice cream.

Ambulance Facilities. The conveyance of all cases (including infectious diseases) is the responsibility of the County Council as the Local Health Authority.

Clinics. The Chest Clinic is held each Thursday at Westwood Hospital, Beverley.

Venereal Disease. Clinics were held daily at the Clinic, Mill Street, Hull.

Relaxation Classes. These Classes were held weekly for expectant mothers in the Brough area, and the following table shows that they were well attended:

No. of Sessions held	No. of new Attenders	No. of individuals attending	Total attendances made
47	39	42	217

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

Centre	Frequency of Sessions	Number of children who attended during the year and who were born in:			Attendances	
		1966	1965	1961-64	Total	Average per Session
Bishop Burton ..	Every 4 weeks	1	3	10	78	6
Brough ..	" week	103	90	25	227	45
Leconfield ..	" 2 weeks	21	28	31	394	16
Leven ..	" 4 "	23	19	20	327	25
Ferriby ..	" 2 "	42	55	87	1086	42
Newbald ..	" 4 "	7	13	12	148	12
Little Weighton ..	" 4 "	11	15	9	212	18
Skidby ..	" 4 "	16	18	47	317	24
South Cave ..	" 4 "	20	29	10	317	24
Walkington ..	" 4 "	7	11	30	200	15
Welton ..	" 4 "	7	16	20	232	18
Woodmansey ..	" 4 "	6	7	20	102	9

FACTORIES

There are 65 factories within the District, of which 60 are power factories and 5 non-power. Routine inspections were carried out and these showed that conditions were generally satisfactory.

One out-worker was employed in the district in satisfactory premises.

The Prescribed Particulars on the administration of the Factories Acts are shown in the table below.

FACTORIES IN THE BEVERLEY RURAL DISTRICT

I—INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	6	1	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	60	50	2	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	2	2	1	—
Total	67	58	4	—

2—Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4) By H.M. Inspector (5)		
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient ..	1	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	2	—	—	—
Total ..	4	2	—	—	—

Factories Act, 1961
Part VIII of the Act
Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers In August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel (Making etc.)	1	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	1	—	—	—	—	—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1966

*To the Chairman and Members of the
Beverley Rural District Council*

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year 1966.

WATER SUPPLY

Mains water was supplied by two statutory Water Undertakings and one private Estate Company.

The areas of supply are as follows:

	<i>Area of Supply</i>
East Yorkshire (Wolds Area) Water Board.	Beswick, Bishop Burton, Brantingham (part), South Cave, Cherry Burton, Dalton Holme (part), Ellerker, Etton, Leconfield, Lockington, Lund, Molescroft, Newbald, Tickton (part), Walkington, Woodmansey (part).
Hull Corporation.	Brantingham (part), Elloughton, Leven, North Ferriby, Routh, Rowley, Skidby, Swanland, Tickton (part), Wawne, Welton, Woodmansey (part).
Hotham Estate	Dalton Holme (part).

All mains water was chlorinated at source. One sample from each of the six main sources and village supplies was submitted for chemical analysis and all results were satisfactory. Details of the analyses are as follows:

	Welton Village Supply	Mains Supply Beswick	Mains Supply Lund	Mains Supply Dalton	Mains Supply Ellerker	Mains Supply Elloughton
Appearance	Faintly Opalescent	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear
Colour	white	none	none	none	none	none
Suspended Matter	trace	none	none	none	none	none
Odour	none	none	none	none	none	none
Reaction, pH	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.5	7.1
	Parts per Million					
Ammoniacal Nitrogen as N	none	none	none	none	none	0.02
Albuminoid Nitrogen as N	0.04	none	none	none	0.01	none
Oxygen absorbed (4 hrs. at 27°C.)	0.23	0.04	0.09	0.04	0.09	0.04
Nitrite Nitrogen as N	none	none	none	none	none	none
Total hardness as CaCO ₃	320	220	230	285	245	315
Metals, Pb., Fe., etc.,	none	none	none	none	none	none
Chloride as Cl	45	15	25	20	25	25
Residual Chlorine as Cl	none	none	none	none	none	0.06
Fluorine as F	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.09

A total of 55 samples were submitted for bacteriological analysis, of which 11 proved to be unsatisfactory.

Twenty-five samples were taken from mains supplies, 10 being from the East Yorkshire (Wolds Area) Water Board area of supply, 7 from the Hull Corporation area of supply, 4 from the Dalton Holme supply and 4 from the Welton Village Supply. All these samples gave satisfactory results.

Thirty samples were taken from 20 private supplies and of these, 11 samples taken from 5 bores proved unsatisfactory and appropriate action was taken in each case.

There was no shortage of water during the year.

There is no liability to plumbo-solvency due to the hardness of the water supplied in the district.

WATER SUPPLIES (ALL HOUSES) AT 31st DECEMBER, 1966

Parish	Total Houses	Mains Supplies				Other Supplies	
		Own Tap		Standpipe		Bores and Wells	Other
		Houses	Pop'n.	Houses	Pop'n.	Houses	Houses
Beswick	97	76	246	—	—	14	7
Bishop Burton	124	119	393	2	5	3	—
Brantingham	130	129	395	—	—	1	—
Cave, South	634	613	1769	1	3	10	10
Cherry Burton	147	135	371	1	4	9	2
Dalton Holme	98	87	243	3	8	8	—
Ellerker	103	99	326	—	—	3	1
Elloughton	1491	1478	4200	4	11	8	1
Etton	106	85	232	—	—	21	—
Ferriby, North	998	995	2873	3	9	—	—
Leconfield	380	354	1086	1	3	21	4
Leven	437	406	1178	13	38	15	3
Lockington	170	158	485	—	—	10	2
Lund	109	101	270	7	19	1	—
Molescroft	694	683	1910	—	—	11	—
Newbald	237	232	732	—	—	3	2
Routh	38	31	97	—	—	7	—
Rowley	276	275	866	1	3	—	—
Skidby	351	341	1078	2	6	8	—
Swanland	710	703	1753	7	17	—	—
Tickton	189	139	422	—	—	50	—
Walkington	306	300	876	5	15	—	1
Wawne	363	341	926	—	—	21	1
Welton	535	524	1474	7	19	3	1
Woodmansey	606	527	1632	7	22	70	2
Total	9329	8931	25833	64	182	297	37

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Existing sewers and works were satisfactorily maintained during the year. Some works are becoming overloaded due to housing development and it will be necessary to consider providing additional facilities in the near future.

Tenders were accepted for the sewerage of Lockington and Lund, and work commenced early in the year.

The construction of a length of sewer in Swanland Hill, forming part of the Swanland and North Ferriby Sewerage Scheme was completed.

A scheme for the sewerage of Leconfield village was submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

Since the end of the war, considerable progress has been made in providing sewerage facilities in the district, and at the end of the year, main drainage was available for 7.690 houses. Schemes at present under construction or awaiting Ministry Approval for Lund, Lockington, Leconfield, and parts of Swanland will serve a further 398 houses, and the Council's future programme includes schemes to serve 228 houses in the villages of Beswick, Kilnwick, Brantingham and Ellerker.

260 houses are situated in small hamlets and on the outskirts of villages and at the appropriate time consideration will be given to providing the necessary sewers and sewer extensions.

Remaining, are some 750 houses scattered throughout the district and situate for the most part in isolation, and these are unlikely to be served by future sewerage schemes.

FOOD PREMISES

There are 139 food premises in the district, as follows:

Retail Shops	87
Licensed Premises	35
Canteens	13
Cafes	3
Factories	1
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			139
			<hr/>

Fifty-six visits were made under the Food Hygiene Regulations and with few exceptions, conditions were found to be satisfactory.

The number of premises provided with wash-hand basins and sinks is shown in the following table:

Category	Regulation 16	Regulation 19	
	Provided with Wash Basins	Requiring Sinks	Provided with Sinks
Retail Shops ..	76	72	64
Licensed Premises ..	34	32	31
Canteens	13	13	13
Cafes	3	3	3
Factories	1	1	1

Nine inspections were made of mobile shops operating in the District.

MILK SUPPLY

The number of persons retailing milk within the Rural District and Registered as Distributors was 30. Three premises were registered as Dairies.

Ninety samples of raw milk were obtained and on biological examination one of these was found to be positive for *Brucella Abortus*. Action was taken to ensure that the milk from the infected animal was pasteurised.

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

The total number of animals killed and inspected was 17,069 and the results of inspections are set out in the accompanying table. Tuberculosis was found in only 3 bovines and these were reactor animals sent in for slaughter by the Ministry.

Daily slaughtering took place at the wholesale slaughterhouse at Woodmansey, and once, and sometimes twice per week at the retail slaughterhouses at South Cave, Elloughton, Leven and Lund.

Licences were issued to 31 slaughtermen under the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958.

There are no poultry processing premises within the district.

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part

	Cattle Excl. Cows.	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Inspected	3028	560	242	7952	5273	14
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole Carcases condemned ..	15	30	20	59	51	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	808	222	49	251	1703	2
Percentage of the number ins- pected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	27.18	45.00	28.51	3.89	33.47	14.29
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	2	—	—	50	—
Percentage of the number ins- pected affected with tuberculosis	0.033	0.36	—	—	0.95	—
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	32	7	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	8	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally con- demned	—	—	—	—	—	—

KNACKERS YARDS

Ten visits were made to the two Knackers Yards, both of which are situated in the parish of Woodmansey and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

HOUSING

Twelve houses were subject to statutory action, 3 Demolition Orders and 9 Closing Orders being made. Eight houses subject to Clearance Orders, 23 subject to Demolition Orders, 2 subject to Closing Orders

and 1 subject to an Undertaking to Close, were demolished. Four Closing Orders and 1 Undertaking to Close were cancelled, and 3 Undertakings to Repair were complied with. As a result of informal action, 15 houses were made to comply with the Housing Act standard.

Sixteen condemned houses were vacated, 8 families being rehoused by the Council.

The inspection of houses under the Slum Clearance Programme submitted to the Minister in 1955 is virtually complete, 610 houses having been the subject of formal action and 10 demolished after informal action. 82 condemned houses were occupied at the end of the year of which 47 were occupied by elderly people and families who in all probability will not be disturbed. The majority of the remaining occupiers will be rehoused when the houses and flats in the current building programme at Bishop Burton, Cherry Burton, Etton and Welton are complete.

During the year, 3 one bedroomed bungalows at Brough, 8 one bedroomed flats at Swanland, together with the Wardens flat built in connection with the Grouped Dwelling Scheme at Welton, were completed. The construction of the 16 Grouped Dwelling flats and 4 three bedroomed houses at Welton was well advanced.

It was decided to construct during 1967, 4 three bedroomed houses and four one bedroomed bungalows at Bishop Burton, 2 two bed-roomed houses and 2 one bedroomed bungalows at Cherry Burton and 4 three bedroomed houses and 2 one bedroomed bungalows at Etton.

Applications for Standard Grants were approved in respect of 25 dwellings and for Discretionary Grants in respect of 15 dwellings.

No applications for a Certificate of Disrepair under the Rent Act, 1957, were received.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Of the 74 premises in the district registered under the Act, the majority are small retail shops such as village stores, and other food shops and small offices. The average number of employees is just over 3 per premises.

Inspections carried out during the year indicated that conditions were generally satisfactory. Fifteen informal notices were served, the majority of these drawing attention to the need for the provision of first aid boxes and thermometers and the display of an Abstract of the Act.

No accidents were reported during the year.

Registrations, General Inspections and Persons Employed

Class of Premises	Premises Registered	General Inspections	Persons Employed
Offices	19	7	45
Retail Shops	42	24	135
Wholesale Shops & Warehouses	1	1	2
Catering Establishments	12	1	66
Fuel Storage Depots	—	—	—
Total	74	33	248

NUISANCES

The various complaints received during the year may be summarised under the following headings:

Dykes, Defective Drains and Fittings	17
Regarding Refuse, Manure and Smells	9
Keeping of Pigs and other Animals ..	3
Insects	3
Smoke	2
Noise	4
Other Nuisances	2

All these complaints were investigated and informal action was taken where necessary.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The number of houses from which refuse was collected increased by 543 during the year, the figure at the end of the year being 8,844. Refuse was also collected from some 200 business premises, charges being made in appropriate cases. The number of pail closets continued to decrease.

Delivery of a 25 cu. yard Fore and Aft tipping refuse vehicle was taken in May. The Vehicle fleet at the end of the year comprised one 35 cub. yard Packamatic, five 25 and one 18 cub. yard fore and aft tipping and one 10 cub. yard side loading refuse vehicle. The 10 cub. yard vehicle and one 25 cub. yard vehicle were maintained as standby vehicles. The lower part of one of the 25 cub. yard vehicles was renewed towards the end of the year.

Disposal continued at the controlled tip at Old Brickyards, North Ferriby, one tipman and a Bristol 25 Tractor Dozer and scraper being employed.

Eighty-one litter vases erected in appropriate parts of the district were emptied regularly.

RODENT CONTROL

Two full time Rodent Operators were employed, and 2,595 visits were made. 853 premises were inspected and infestations found to exist at 511 premises, of which the Council treated 510. The cost of treatments was recovered in respect of all properties except dwelling houses under £80 rateable value.

Properties owned by the Council were inspected and appropriate treatments were carried out. All sewerage systems were treated with sodium fluoracetamide.

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